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| | First Named Inventor | Craig Andrews | |
| | Art Unit | | |
| | Examiner Name | | |
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: §
Craig Andrews, et al. §
Serial No.: 10/727,854 §
Filed: December 4, 2003 §
For: Very Thin, Light Bipolar Plates §

Group Art Unit:

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PETITION TO CORRECT SPELLING OF INVENTOR NAME UNDER 37 CFR 1.182

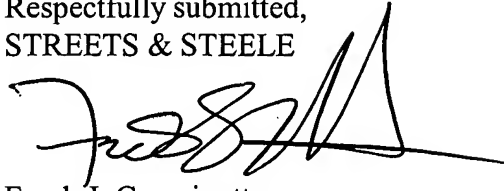
The declaration that was filed for the above captioned patent application included the named inventor Alan Cisar. Alan Cisar signed the declaration as Alan Cisar. The typewritten version of the inventor's name on the declaration was Al Cisar. It is respectfully requested that the name of the inventor be changed from Al Cisar to Alan Cisar.

As required by 37 CFR 1.63(a)(2), each inventor must be identified by full name, including the family name and at least one given name without abbreviation. To comply with this rule, it is requested that the name of Al Cisar be changed to Alan Cisar, as signed on the declaration.

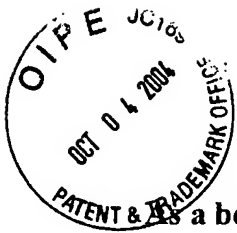
Attached is a copy of the originally filed declaration. In the event there are additional charges in connection with the filing of this Petition, including the petition fee, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the Deposit Account No. 50-0714/LYNN/0161 of

the firm of the below-signed attorney in the amount of any necessary fee.

Respectfully submitted,
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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Frank J. Campigotto', written over the printed name.

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Customer No. 24945



COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

I, a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

This declaration is of the following type:

- ☒ original
- ☐ divisional
- ☐ continuation
- ☐ continuation-in-part

INVENTORSHIP IDENTIFICATION

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name. I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

VERY THIN, LIGHT BIPOLAR PLATES

SPECIFICATION IDENTIFICATION

The specification of which:

- ☐ filed herewith;
- ☒ was filed on December 4, 2003, under Serial No. 10/727,854;
- ☐ Express Mail No. _____ (Serial No. not yet known)
and was amended on _____ (if applicable)
- ☐ was described and claimed in PCT International Application
No. _____ filed on _____ and as amended under PCT
Article 19 on _____.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF REVIEW OF PAPERS AND DUTY OF CANDOR

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information I know to be material to patentability in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56, and which is material to the examination of this application; namely, information where there is a substantial likelihood that a reasonable Examiner would consider it important in deciding whether to allow the application to issue as a patent, and

☐ In compliance with this duty there is attached an Information Disclosure Statement in accordance with 37 CFR §1.98.

PRIORITY CLAIM (35 U.S.C. §119)

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119, of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America listed below, and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America filed by me on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application(s) of which priority is claimed.

☒ No such applications have been filed.

☐ Such applications have been filed as follows:

A. Prior foreign/PCT application(s) filed within 12 mos. (6 mos. for design) prior to this application, and any priority claims under 35 U.S.C. §119

| <u>Country/PCT</u> | <u>Application No</u> | <u>Date Filed</u> | <u>Priority Claimed</u> |
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☐ Yes ☐ No

☐ Yes ☐ No

☐ Yes ☐ No

B. All foreign application(s), if any, filed more than 12 mos. (6 mos. for design) prior to this U.S. application

Country:

Application No:

Filing date:

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 USC 119(e) of any United States Provisional application(s) listed below:

Application No.
60/431,007

Filing Date
December 4, 2002

PRIORITY CLAIM (35 U.S.C. §120)

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Section 120, of any United States application(s) or PCT international application(s) designating the United States of America that is/are listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in that/those prior application(s) in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, Section 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information that is material to the examination of this application (namely, information where there is substantial likelihood that a reasonable Examiner would consider it important in deciding whether to allow the application to issue as a patent) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application(s) and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

- ☒ No such applications have been filed
☐ Such application have been filed, as follows:

| <u>Serial No.</u> | <u>Filing Date</u> | <u>Status</u> | | |
|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------|------------------|
| | | <u>Patented</u> | <u>Pending</u> | <u>Abandoned</u> |
| (None) | | | | |

POWER OF ATTORNEY

I hereby appoint all of the practitioners associated with Customer Number 24945 to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:

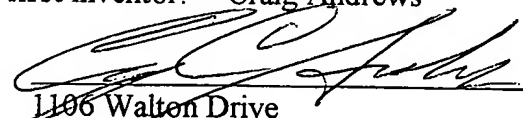
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DECLARATION

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and, further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Sec. 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patents issued thereon.

Full name of **sole or first** inventor: Craig Andrews

Inventor's signature: 

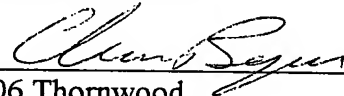
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Full name of **second** inventor: Chris Boyer

Inventor's signature: 

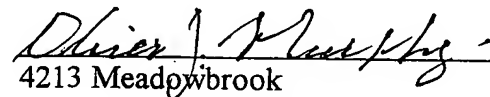
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Inventor's signature: 


Date: April 21, 2004

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Inventor's signature:  Date: 4/26/04
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Country of Citizenship: USA

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Inventor's signature:  Date: 4.21.04
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Country of Citizenship: USA

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FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2004

Effective 10/01/2003. Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$ 130.00)

Complete if Known

Application Number 10/727,854
 Filing Date December 4, 2003
 First Named Inventor Craig Andrews
 Examiner Name
 Art Unit
 Attorney Docket No. LYNN/0161

METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)

☐ Check ☐ Credit card ☐ Money Order ☐ Other ☐ None

☒ Deposit Account:

Deposit Account Number 50-0714/LYNN/0161
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The Director is authorized to: (check all that apply)

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

| Large Entity | | Small Entity | | Fee Description | Fee Paid |
|--------------|----------|--------------|----------|------------------------|----------|
| Fee Code | Fee (\$) | Fee Code | Fee (\$) | | |
| 1001 | 770 | 2001 | 385 | Utility filing fee | |
| 1002 | 340 | 2002 | 170 | Design filing fee | |
| 1003 | 530 | 2003 | 265 | Plant filing fee | |
| 1004 | 770 | 2004 | 385 | Reissue filing fee | |
| 1005 | 160 | 2005 | 80 | Provisional filing fee | |
| SUBTOTAL (1) | | | | (\$) | |

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

| Total Claims | Extra Claims | Fee from below | Fee Paid |
|--------------------|--------------|----------------|----------|
| Independent | -20** = | X | |
| Multiple Dependent | -3** = | X | |

| Large Entity | | Small Entity | | Fee Description |
|--------------|----------|--------------|----------|--|
| Fee Code | Fee (\$) | Fee Code | Fee (\$) | |
| 1202 | 18 | 2202 | 9 | Claims in excess of 20 |
| 1201 | 86 | 2201 | 43 | Independent claims in excess of 3 |
| 1203 | 290 | 2203 | 145 | Multiple dependent claim, if not paid |
| 1204 | 86 | 2204 | 43 | ** Reissue independent claims over original patent |
| 1205 | 18 | 2205 | 9 | ** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent |

SUBTOTAL (2) (\$ 0.00)

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FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

| Large Entity | | Small Entity | | Fee Description | Fee Paid |
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| Fee Code | Fee (\$) | Fee Code | Fee (\$) | | |
| 1051 | 130 | 2051 | 65 | Surcharge - late filing fee or oath | |
| 1052 | 50 | 2052 | 25 | Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet | |
| 1053 | 130 | 1053 | 130 | Non-English specification | |
| 1812 | 2,520 | 1812 | 2,520 | For filing a request for ex parte reexamination | |
| 1804 | 920* | 1804 | 920* | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action | |
| 1805 | 1,840* | 1805 | 1,840* | Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action | |
| 1251 | 110 | 2251 | 55 | Extension for reply within first month | |
| 1252 | 420 | 2252 | 210 | Extension for reply within second month | |
| 1253 | 950 | 2253 | 475 | Extension for reply within third month | |
| 1254 | 1,480 | 2254 | 740 | Extension for reply within fourth month | |
| 1255 | 2,010 | 2255 | 1,005 | Extension for reply within fifth month | |
| 1401 | 330 | 2401 | 165 | Notice of Appeal | |
| 1402 | 330 | 2402 | 165 | Filing a brief in support of an appeal | |
| 1403 | 290 | 2403 | 145 | Request for oral hearing | |
| 1451 | 1,510 | 1451 | 1,510 | Petition to institute a public use proceeding | |
| 1452 | 110 | 2452 | 55 | Petition to revive - unavoidable | |
| 1453 | 1,330 | 2453 | 665 | Petition to revive - unintentional | |
| 1501 | 1,330 | 2501 | 665 | Utility issue fee (or reissue) | |
| 1502 | 480 | 2502 | 240 | Design issue fee | |
| 1503 | 640 | 2503 | 320 | Plant issue fee | |
| 1460 | 130 | 1460 | 130 | Petitions to the Commissioner | 130 |
| 1807 | 50 | 1807 | 50 | Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q) | |
| 1806 | 180 | 1806 | 180 | Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt | |
| 8021 | 40 | 8021 | 40 | Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties) | |
| 1809 | 770 | 2809 | 385 | Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a)) | |
| 1810 | 770 | 2810 | 385 | For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b)) | |
| 1801 | 770 | 2801 | 385 | Request for Continued Examination (RCE) | |
| 1802 | 900 | 1802 | 900 | Request for expedited examination of a design application | |

Other fee (specify)

*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid

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